

## Jones' Mills Items

April 1 begins the third year of my work at Jones' Mills. The two years' work just finished have been happy ones, and I am thankful that they have not been spent in vain. If there have been clouds they have only made the sunshine which followed still brighter. For the coming year my time will be divided between Jones' Mills and Listie. I pray that the Lord may so guide and bless the efforts put forth in his name that an abundant harvest may be reaped this year.

Since our last report one more soul has been added to the church by baptism. She came from the Lutheran church, anxious to receive the baptism taught and practiced by the apostles. Four have been baptized since Feb. 1, and one yet to be baptized. We are still looking for more.

On the 11th of March Sister McCloy, of Mt. Pleasant, who has been ill for over a year, was anointed with oil in the name of the Lord (Jas. 5: 14), by brother J. L. Bowman and the writer. May God grant that the blessings connected with that ordinance be hers. We have not forgotten our missions as a reference to the Washington church report will show. The gift from Jones' Mills is accompanied by our prayers that God may abundantly bless the mission work there and elsewhere.

MARCUS A. WITTER.

## Matrimonial

HALL—GILLIAM.—At the home of the bride near Warsaw, Ind., Mr. W. H. Hall and Miss Mary Gilliam were united in marriage, March 14, 1900. Both of these young people are Christians with a large circle of friends. Sister Gilliam is the daughter of one of our deacons and has given good help to the church especially at the organ. May their usefulness go on increasing.

C. F. YODER.

REFFNER—ROSS.—On Tuesday evening March 20, 1900, at 8:30 P. M., at the Brethren parsonage on the corner of Second and Oak streets, Conemaugh, Pa., Mr. Michael E. Reffner, of Conemaugh, Pa., and Miss Elsie L. Ross, of Derry, Pa., were made one in marriage by the writer.

J. F. KOONTZ.

COOPER—COBLE.—At the home of the bride's parents, in Vilenia township, Cass Co., Michigan, by the undersigned, Ervin Cooper and Miss Emana Coble, on Saturday eve, Feb. 17, 1900, after which a bountiful repast was served and then the invited were entertained with music, singing, etc. May peace and long life attend their days in this world, and may they so live so as to obtain a crown of righteousness in the sweet beyond.

WALTER CLARK.

## Our Dead

HOPKINS—Phebe Hopkins was born Nov. 24, 1872, died Feb. 25, 1900, aged 27 years, 3 months, 1 day. She was married to George Mead June 14, 1890. She leaves a husband and four children and many friends to mourn her departure.

HEDGES—Malissa Hedges was born near North Liberty, Ohio, April 27, 1844, died at North Liberty, March 5, 1900, aged 55 years, 10 months and 8 days. The deceased was an invalid since 14 years of age. Funeral services by the writer in the Brethren church at North Liberty.

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RAY.—Dollie Ray was born in New Troy, Mich., 1878, died March 18, 1900, aged 21 years, 5 months, and 10 days. She leaves a husband and two little ones to mourn their loss; also father and mother, but, father and mother, remember the dear one who has called Dollie will call for you some day. "Be ye also ready."

R. H. ENGLISH.

SCHROCK—Mrs. Emma Schrock was born Feb. 8, 1877, and died at her home in Berlin, March 24, 1900, aged 23 years, 1 month, and 16 days. She leaves a husband and little girl to mourn their loss. The deceased was a member of the German Baptist church. Owing to proximity, services were held in the Evangelical church by the writer.

P. M. SWINEHART.

SHULTZ—Leah Shultz was born in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, Feb. 8, 1818, died March 9, 1900, near Ankenytown, Ohio, aged 82 years, 1 month and 1 day. She was married to George Shultz in 1843 and to them were born five children, two sons and three daughters, three of which survive to mourn their loss. She joined the Lutheran church 37 years ago and died in that faith. She was a woman highly esteemed by those who knew her. Funeral services by the writer.

J. L. KIMMEL.

HANNA—On March 20, 1900, at his residence, 4918 Dauphin St., Alford M. Hanna, aged 43 years, 11 months and 20 days. Funeral services at the First Brethren church, this afternoon, March 22. Brother Hanna united with the 37th street Baptist church when he was 13 years old and lived a good Christian life, and was loved by all who came in contact with him. Shortly after our organization he requested our baptism and on May 17, 1890, Brother McFaden baptized and received him in full fellowship in the Brethren church. He loved the Brethren church and made a good member until a year ago his health failed and was confined to his bed most all the time. Brother Darling visited him and attended to all his spiritual wants, and just before exchanging

this world for that blessed immortality beyond he left us the assurance, all was well and had no fear to follow his guide thru death. His mother, one sister and Clifton, his nephew, are left to mourn their loss. Services conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. R. E. Darling.

D. J. BOLE.

KISTLER—John Kistler was born in Hocking Co., Ohio, June 19, 1846, died March 26, 1900, aged 53 years, 8 months, and 7 days. He was born anew and joined the Brethren church in 1883, and remained faithful until death. Was united in marriage to Elizabeth Inbody Aug. 15, 1867. To them were born 6 children, 3 daughters and 3 sons. The family was first broken by the call of one little son to the Spirit world at the age of 4 years. His wife, 3 daughters, 2 sons, 6 grand children, 1 brother, and a large circle of friends are left to mourn their loss. By his death the wife has lost an affectionate and devoted companion, the children a liberal, good-hearted and a well providing father, the community a generous, obliging, deserving and mirthful neighbor and friend. We as a church realize that we must bear a great loss by the death of this faithful, consistent, zealous and well beloved brother, who was always in the front when duty called. But we rejoice that we mourn not the death of our beloved brother as those that have no hope, but can say in the language of the poet:

"Jesus, while our hearts are bleeding  
O'er the spoils that death has won,  
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